

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

I believe that cable's original appeal to consumers was its promise of choice, thus utilizing the fullest capability of the medium to offer diverse programming and opinion. Further de-regulation of the market will only bring viewers more Fox and AOL/Time Warner channels - we have enough already, thanks. Please help protect independent media's right to exist AND find an audience.